

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0522

C O N F I D E N T I A L MONROVIA 6063

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, BTIO, LI

SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS OF CORRUPTION ON SALE OF BOEING 737

REFS: (A) 77 MONROVIA 0409, (2) 77 STATE 013632,  
(C) 77 STATE 014577

1. DURING CALL ON HIM BY CHARGE, MINISTER OF FINANCE  
PHILLIPS MENTIONED THAT HE WAS RECENTLY TARGET OF  
ALLEGATIONS THAT HE HAD RECEIVED KICKBACK FROM BOEING  
ON SALE OF 737 JET AIRCRAFT TO LIBERIA LAST YEAR.  
ANTICIPATING THIS POSSIBILITY, PHILLIPS SAID HE HAD SOLICITED  
LETTER FROM BOEING TO EFFECT THAT PURCHASE PRICE INCLUDED  
NO INCREMENT FOR "COMMISSIONS" OR OTHER DUBIOUS PAYMENTS.  
REFTELS RELATE. BOEING HAD PROVIDED SUCH A STATEMENT TO  
PHILLIPS, AND POSSIBLY TO DEPT/AF/W (REF B). PHILLIPS  
SAID HE HAD RELEASED COPY OF LETTER TO SELECTED LOCAL  
NEWSMEN TO SCUTTLE RUMORS, AND PRIDED HIMSELF ON HIS  
FORESIGHT.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: SEARCH OF EMBASSY FILES SHOWS  
NO INDICATION THAT WE EVER RECEIVED A COPY OF BOEING  
LETTER. IN VIEW OF FACT THAT LOCAL NEWSMEN HAVE IT,  
AND MAY CONCEIVABLY APPROACH EMBASSY, WE REQUEST THAT  
DEPARTMENT CABLE US TEXT OF LETTER IF AVAILABLE IN  
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FILES, OR INITIATE ACTION TO SECURE IT FROM BOEING.  
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## Message Attributes

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